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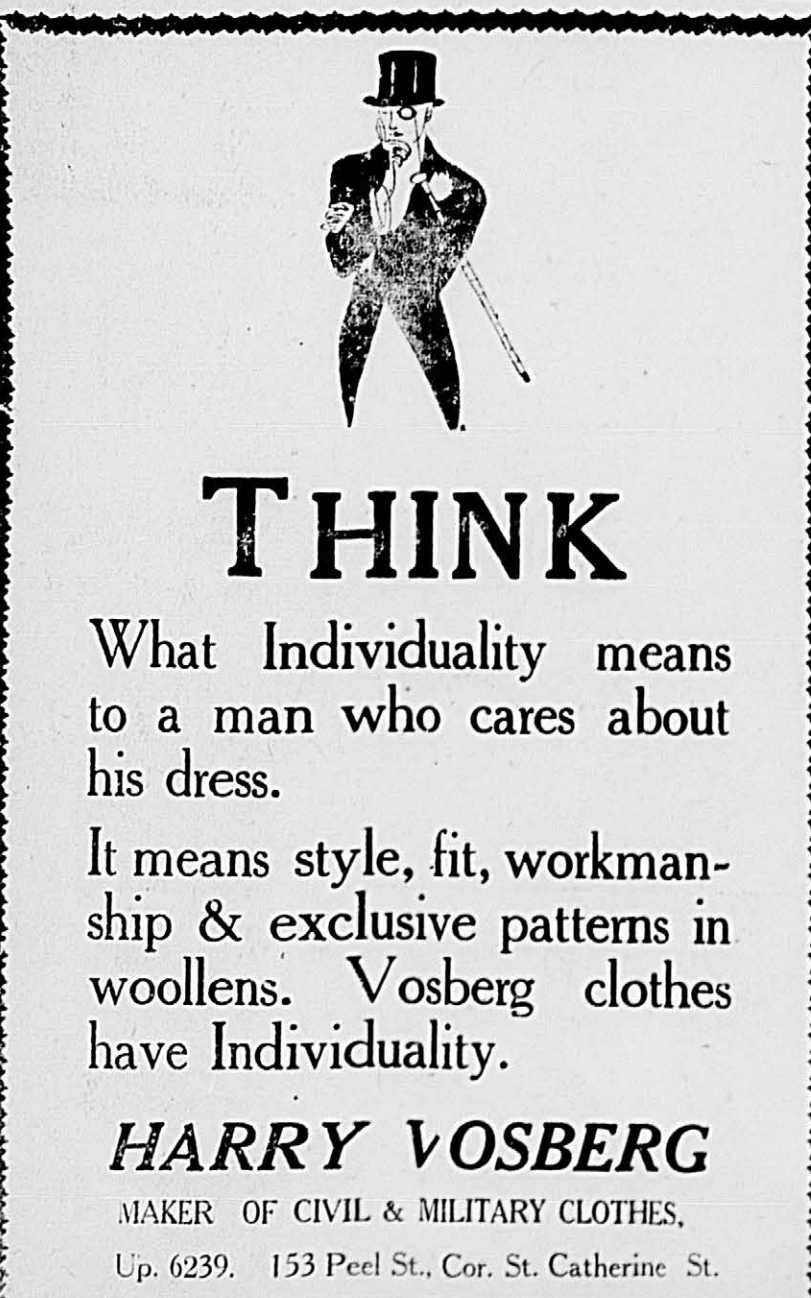


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T. N. T. WILL PUT FEAR OF GOD INTO FRIEND FRITZ IF ANYTHING WILL, SAYS UNDERGRADUATE IN ARTS AT THE FRONT WITH THE FAMOUS "PRINCESS PATS"

Pte. A. B. Whiteside, Arts '16, Saw More of Life in Few Weeks he Was in the Infantry Than he Did in Fifteen Months in the Canadian Army Medical Corps—Graphic Description of the Big Battle on the Ypres Front, in Which He Suffered Wounds—Not a Single Man Showed the White Feather in Those Three Dreadful Days in the Front Line—Gallant Pat Found Dead, Locked With a German, Each Had Bayoneted the Other—The Colonel Killed on the Parapet, Waving His Men Into Action.

The Daily is indebted to T. T. Smith, Arts '17, for the following interesting letter received from Pte. A. B. Whiteside, Whiteside, who was formerly a member of the class of Arts '16, originally enlisted in the Canadian Army Medical Corps, but subsequently secured his transfer to the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry, with which unit he is now serving. At the time of writing Pte. Whiteside was in England convalescing from a slight wound. He writes as follows:

My Dear Ted:—Your letter just to hand, and I was awfully glad to hear from you, also that you have been making the good old T.N.T. Hope you make lots of it, for that is surely the stuff to put the fear of God into Fritz if anything will. I transferred to the Pats as an infantryman. I saw more life in the time I was there than I would in fifteen years in the Medical Corps. I am getting on toes bien now, and should be going to the base in a couple of weeks, or as soon as the numbness gets out of my hand. You said that you wanted a descriptive letter. I cannot write a descriptive letter without writing a long one, so by the time you have finished this I'll bet you won't want me to repeat it. I thought you might like to know of some of my experiences up the line. Well, they were pretty well focused into the three days, June 2, 3 and 4, as we had an easy time before that.

We went into the trenches for an eight-day shift on the night of May 31st. Everything was quiet except that every now and then a machine would spit fire from our trenches with a noise like a steam riveter at work. Then zip, whiz, plunk would come Fritz's bullets in answer, as they whistled overhead or sunk into a tree. The dull boom of hand grenades could be heard now and then, and an intermittent rifle fire echoed from the fire trench. The latter is the most nerve-racking sound I ever heard, having much the same effect as the incessant dripping of cold water drop by drop on the head. A machine gun is regular, one can hear a shell coming and the sound of a bomb half drowns itself in the earth. These things one can get to a certain extent used to, but never to the irregular, spasmodic, shattering bark of the sentries' rifle-fire. Two of our companies went into the fire trench and two in support. I was in a support company. The part of the trenches we were in is in peace time a forest on a large bluff. Thousands of trees are of course shattered and splintered by shells or killed by incessant machine-gun fire. Thousands still remain, however, and they were a mass of the most beautiful foliage I ever saw. Nothing I know of can compare in beauty with the simple grandeur of the luxuriant foliage of the trees in France. The whole place was simply infested with rats. One would wake up in the night to find a soft furry something pressed on one's neck. One would put a hand upon it and jump in stark horror as a huge rat slipped out of the grip. A cuckoo whistled its doleful refrain as we got into our dugouts and birds were singing in all the trees. Between rifle shots nothing but the trenches suggests that there is a war on. The next night, over the whole of that fire-swept zone not a single tree had a clump of leaves larger than a man's hand. For the next three days I was there I didn't see a single rat. They were killed to the last one, as though by a plague. It may have been a spy, at any rate, we heard it no more. If it was a spy, I hope he has made his last gallant stand for his country against a brick wall, for a spy's life is the most hazardous, and his death most certain of any of God's creatures in the war zone. On the morning of the 2nd we were awakened by the dull, persistent bursting of heavy shells here and there along the line. At 8.30 we got up with a jump and went out. One would think that the floor of heaven were made of shells, and that it had given way. Every size and shape were coming our way—9.2, 5.9, 4.5, Sausage, Whiz Bang, Silent Lizzie, Whistling Charlie and others we did not know about. We could hear the big ones coming. They came incredibly slow; we could hear the dull boom of the guns, then in five seconds or so away from the

WILL WIELD THE BATON.



BANDMASTER CLOUGH. who will be in charge of the direction of the Students' Band when it takes part in the demonstration at the McGill-Laval game on February 12.

distance would come a low sighing sound, rising and falling like a slow tremolo on the base cord of a violin, increasing to an unearthly moan till with a shriek, swish, bang it would land in front or behind, a huge column of smoke, dust, mud, stones, branches and steel would shoot high in the air and fall for hundreds of yards around, and we would wait for the next. It was never long in coming. If it burst at a distance the noise is a dull boom such as a giant bass drum would make. If ten feet away you would get the sound if you clashed together two mighty cymbals just as a big gun went off—a shattering metallic crash that makes the blood run cold. If just on the parapet it is like the bursting of your ear drums, and you can hear nothing but a ringing sensation for several minutes. It was nothing but how, shriek, crash, bang everywhere, and in half an hour dust, smoke and noxious gas being like a thick, heavy pall over the whole scene. The air was heavy and sickening with the poisonous fumes from the high explosives.

At 10.30 I had to go with another fellow with a despatch to Headquarters just behind our line. Every few yards the trench was blown level with the ground, and every untouched part was crowded with wounded and those as yet unharmed. We ran down a communication trench to take a short cut. Headquarters was fifty yards ahead. It was a mass of splinters, sandbags, earth and steel scattered on the ground, and flying through the air. So we went back and came down another way, finding the colonel and adjutant in a communication trench 25 yards from the remains. For fifty yards along the trench soldiers were packed like sardines, all untouched. I was there two hours, and by what seems a miracle not a shell damaged the whole of the trench. A single gun had the work of demolishing that trench, and did it with the precision and detail of an architect drawing a plan for a bridge. A shell was dropped away to our right, twenty feet behind the trench. Thirty seconds later another landed ten feet to the left of the first, and every thirty seconds another came until the fifty yards was traversed. Then the range was shortened about fifteen feet, and the gun slowly swept back. We knew almost to the yard where the next one would fall. Every thirty seconds they came nearer. The next would be ours. It would land either in the trench or just on the back of it. If it hit in the trench there would be at least a dozen names added to the killed in action section of the Honour Roll. If not—but why worry—here it comes—the low, distant sighing, the increasing moan, rising and falling, like the despairing cry of spirits in Hell, the shriek, swish, bang, and we still lived. It had burst back of the trench, and we were buried in the falling mud and dust. They kept falling on up the trench, and the range was shortened again. This time ours landed just on the parapet, and

we were again buried, but now we were comparatively safe, for Fritz thought he had done his work as he went. He very nearly did. His calculations were out by a yard. About 1.30 the bombardment increased to an indescribable intensity, and shrapnel began bursting overhead. Through the din we could hear bullets whistling over the trench with a sound like the strings of a violin touched sharply and the beating of a gigantic bass drum. Word came down that the Germans were coming over, and we all got up and went back up the trench. The colonel was killed upon the parapet, waving on his men—a hero to the last. The bombardment stopped as suddenly as it had begun. Instead the air was cleft and cut and sawed by millions of machine-gun bullets. What they saw going on up the trench seemed to madden the fellows. We passed a man with a hole through both ankles, walking towards us. Another with both legs shot off at the hips, fast, bleeding to death, looking at us in mute appeal as we stepped over his mangled body. And then—but what's the use—there were hundreds, one as bad as the other. They took the risk when they joined for King and Country. I say we were maddened, it was not bravery nor bravado, nor patriotism, nor fear of being shot that drove us on. During the three days I was there I did not see a single man show the white feather or mention patriotism or home or his own personal valour. An officer passed us, and said, "If they come over, boys, you know what to do." "You bet your life we do," was the answering shout. And that was the feeling of the whole thing. It was, I think, just the animal instinct of vengeance that prodded us on. It was eleven days later, when new regiments came in and the madness had worn off, that prisoners were taken.

The few scattered remnants of the companies in the front trench had come back to the supports. That night we were reinforced and Fritz did not attack us again. He must have had enough for he got some beautiful sniping when he was coming through the woods. In the night he bombarded us with high explosive shrapnel every three hours. All at once the whole scene would flare up as bright as day, as thousands of star-shells went up from Fritz's trenches. Among them would be a white one that shot up very high in spirals and then broke into two red ones. On the instant every gun in range opened up at once, and the noise is easier imagined than described. Scores of shrapnel-shells bursting, some with a white brilliant flash, some in a cloud of black smoke, but most with a horrible livid, ugly, blood-red flame that lit up the shell craters with a light like the ghastly flare of a red lamp in a dark room. In about half an hour or so, another spiral would go up, and break into two yellow flares, and the bombardment would be over. At midnight Fritz used a different signal, thousands of star shells shooting up to a great height from the same spot at the time. It was a glorious spectacle, exactly like a mighty fountain of fire, the points of flame falling for hundreds of yards around. It was seen a score of miles behind the lines. The spectacle was magnificent, but the bombardment that followed beat all that preceded. I got mine just before relief on the night of the fourth.

Just a few incidents and I will close. One man had orders to report at headquarters for his commission at ten o'clock in the morning. He started out and was found later dead, locked with a Hun—each had bayoneted the other. Another man had just been reprieved from two years' hard labour in prison. He was found with his bayonet in a Hun and two fatal thrusts in his own body. Thirty came in a draft from England the night before. Hardly any of them escaped. But I must close.

As ever,
A. B. WHITESIDE.

WANT FREE TUITION.
Several state institutions of higher education in South Carolina will ask the Legislature to abolish all scholarships and to open the colleges to students free of tuition fees except for professional courses. They also recommend a loan fund for selected students.

LIEUTENANT-GENERAL SIR SAM HUGHES TO SPEAK AT THE MEDICAL BANQUET ON WEDNESDAY EVENING.

Announcement was made yesterday by the committee in charge of the Medical Dinner that Lieut.-General Sir Sam Hughes had accepted the invitation of the committee to address the Dinner which is to be held at the Ritz-Carlton Hotel next Wednesday evening. In view of the fact that Lieut.-General Hughes has been so much in the public eye recently, and that he has taken so active a part in the preparation of Canada's fighting forces to enter the firing line, his message at the Medical Dinner should be of much interest.

The committee has been in touch with several prominent American educationists with a view to securing their presence at the Banquet, but these gentlemen have been forced to decline the invitation because of the critical nature of the situation now existing in the United States.

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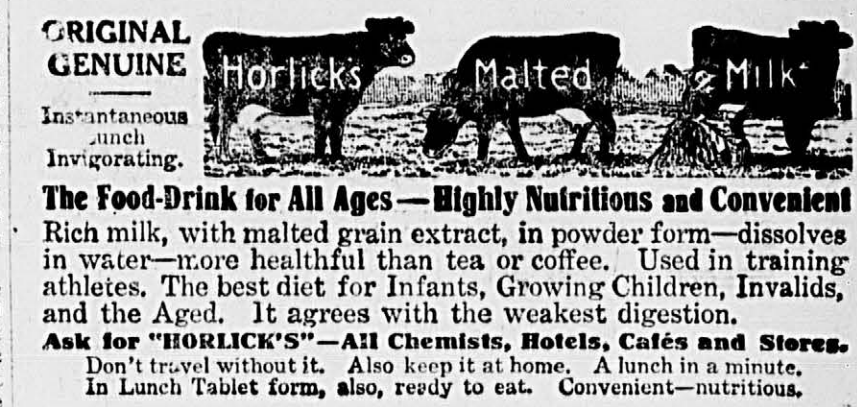


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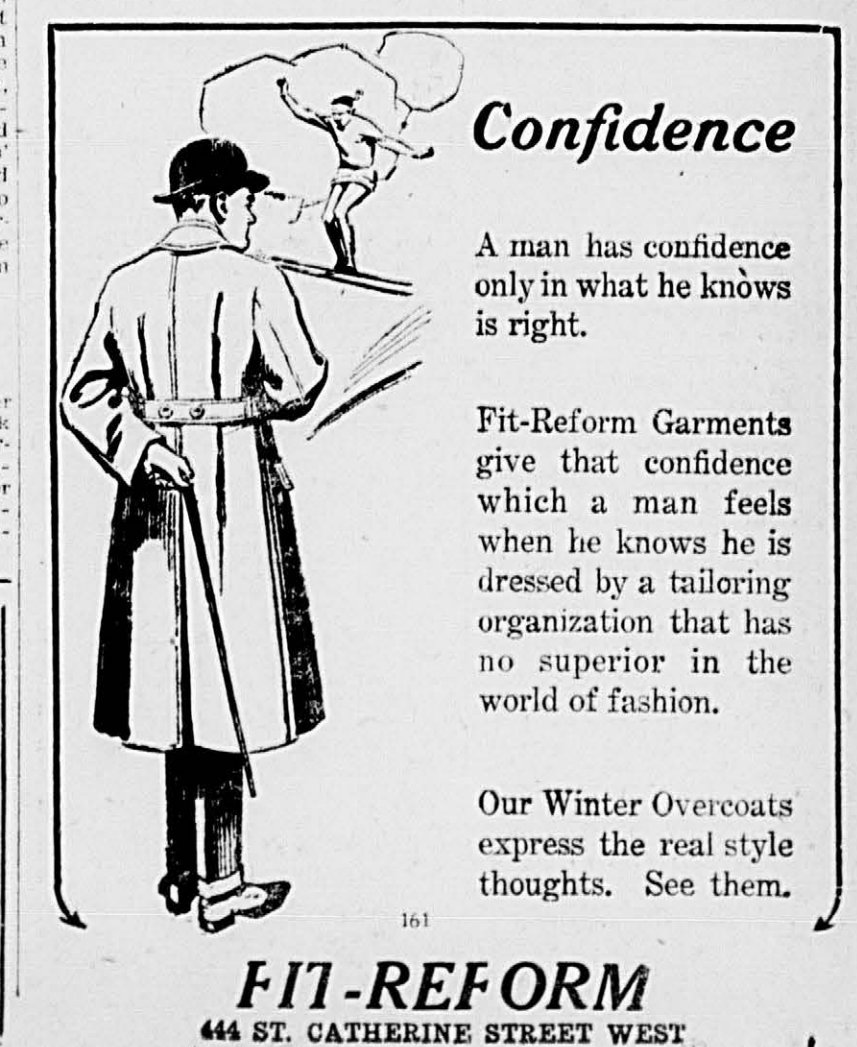
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THE CANADIAN CLUB KEEPS GOING.

This is the season after Christmas when most of the college activities are entering upon their second wind, to use the language of sport. The really important ones are still going strong, but a considerable number of clubs and societies have passed away from the horizon, where they seemed to figure so prominently. Many an undergraduate, seared into studious habits by the results of the recent examinations, has come to the conclusion that it is time he gave up most of the activities in which he took part, and began to pay attention to his books. This attitude, of course, we do not uphold, but it is nevertheless that adopted by a majority of the students.

In view of this fact, it is most gratifying to observe the manner in which the Canadian Club is carrying out its programme. On Monday evening the members are to be addressed by Mr. Poultny Bigelow, and a highly successful meeting is assured. The society, at the beginning of the college year, when the amalgamation between the Canadian Club and the old Literary and Debating Society was effected, announced that an aggressive policy was to be carried out in future, and the meetings held were all thorough successes.

It only needs the hearty co-operation of the student body to ensure the same success for the meeting on Monday. The fact that there is an important game on at the Arena at eight o'clock need not prevent anyone from attending, as the address will begin promptly at five o'clock, and plenty of time will be left for the hockey fans to get out and root for the McGill team.

The subject of the address is an absorbingly interesting one, and anyone who has heard Mr. Bigelow speak before will be confident that he will hold the attention of his hearers from start to finish.

EDITORIAL NOTE.

The announcement last night that Sir Sam Hughes, former Minister of Militia, would speak at the annual banquet of the Medical Undergraduate Society, created much interest, and spoke well for the energy and initiative of those in charge of the affair. It will be remembered that Sir Sam Hughes addressed the McGill C. O. T. C. shortly after its foundation, and has always taken interest in college matters. Whatever may have been his success or shortcomings as an administrator, the figure of the man himself commands our admiration. He has always displayed the originality and determination of a born leader of men, and it will be long ere his services to the Dominion in a time of stress are forgotten. The fact that there will be present at the banquet members of the senior year who will be going overseas at the end of their term renders the presence of Sir Sam, who is always associated with things military, doubly interesting.

OLD FOOTBALL MEN NOT ALWAYS CRIPPLES

Interesting Statistics Compiled by Dr. Naismith, of University of Kansas.

In order to ascertain the after-effects of college athletics upon students, Dr. James Naismith, head of the department of physical education at the University of Kansas, has announced statistics compiled after extended correspondence with former athletes.

In securing his figures Dr. Naismith sent inquiries to football players on teams prior to 1907, believing these men should by this time be able to detect any after-effects of the game. The questions were sent to football men as that game, he considered, is the most violent of college sports. To the question, "What injuries did you suffer while playing football?" forty of the eighty-five replied stating that they had received none. The other forty-five answered that sprained ankles, broken noses and sprained knees were their common afflictions. All but six stated they had completely recovered from their injuries. None was reported seriously incapacitated from their participation in the game. The valuation placed on the personal benefits received from the game varied greatly, although increased physical development headed the list. Among the other benefits derived were: self-control, rapid judgment, wide acquaintanceship, determination and courage.

Dr. Naismith is well known throughout the Western States as an authority in the training of athletes.

C. O. T. C. TO HAVE OUTDOOR WORK.

Weather conditions permitting, the C. O. T. C. will spend this afternoon carrying out field manoeuvres somewhere in the vicinity of the Mountain. The snow is too deep at present for the Battalion to visit its old haunts around the Park Slide, but some form of outdoor work will be taken up in preparation for more extensive operations later on. The programme of the Battalion for the remainder of the winter is to be one of training in the open, that part of the course which proved so popular last year.

WILL ANNOUNCE RESULTS.

The results of the final year examinations in Medicine will be announced at a meeting of the class to be held at the New Medical Building this evening at 9.30 o'clock.

CORRESPONDENCE.

The Daily is not responsible for the sentiments of letters published in the correspondence columns. Signed communications from graduates, undergraduates and members of the faculty will be placed in print if they are not of too great length.

Correspondents are requested to observe the unwritten law of the newspaper office—that they write upon ONE side of the paper ONLY.

No communications will be admitted to this column without the name of the writer being attached for publication.

Editor of McGill Daily:

Dear Sir,—Referring to the last paragraph of the letter of Mr. G. W. Bourke, President of Arts '17, appearing in the correspondence column of to-day's issue of the Daily, I beg to state that I have consulted the Daily files and examined the issues therein referred to.

The only subject matter contained in any one of these issues which to my mind might conceivably be of a libelous nature seems to be confined to the "Quips" Column. Moreover, it would appear to me that in order that any of these references should be held to be libelous, there must be knowledge on the part of at least some of the readers of the paper of circumstances connected with the incidents referred to which conveys to the readers possessed of such knowledge more information than, or a different meaning to, that which is conveyed to the readers not so informed. However, during the past two days there have come to me from private sources suggestions that such circumstances have given certain of the words used in these articles an unusual significance, and it may be that owing to this fact a further investigation of the matter may be justified. It would seem to me, at all events, that the matter will bear further investigation.

I would like to point out that in this regard the persons who may investigate these facts will be entirely dependent for the effectiveness of any investigation upon information to be received from those persons who are cognizant of these special circumstances.

This matter, however, would seem to be of such a nature that it can be most satisfactorily dealt with outside of the columns of this paper. I would therefore request that Mr. Bourke or anyone who can be of any assistance to the Council in looking into this matter, should communicate either with the Council in session or with myself personally on this point, it being understood that all communications shall be regarded as of a strictly confidential nature. The Council and myself will deeply appreciate any assistance which may be rendered in this matter.

Thanking you, Mr. Editor, for your space and expressing the hope that this suggestion will meet with the approval of all parties who may be interested in this matter, I am,

Yours truly,
FRANK B. COMMON,
President, Students' Council.
February 2, 1917.

CLEVER STUDENTS NOT ALWAYS SUCCESSFUL

British Business Man Prefers Ordinary Hard Worker to Intellectual Prodigy.

(The London, Eng., Daily Sketch.) The experiment of taking undergraduates into big business firms was referred to by Mr. W. L. Hichens, chairman of Cammell, Laird and Co., London, in an address given to the Association of Headmasters.

Asked as to the qualifications of the undergraduates who had been engaged by his firm, he replied that it was an experiment which they had made. When he made a choice of the men at Oxford he did not look for the men who had taken a first in Greek or a first in History.

He looked for the man who might have taken them had he worked. Men who could get on with their fellow men were those he chose. Intellect alone did not carry them very far in business.

Previously the President, the Rev. J. R. Wynne-Edwards, Headmaster of the Leeds Grammar School, had referred to the same subject. He said a member of their association wrote that after graduating B.Sc. (2nd class honours in Chemistry), and spending a year in research work in Germany, and a further time at a local University, he was offered a post at £100 a year as research chemist to a large firm.

The works manager of the firm was killed a few days afterwards, and he was then offered the post at a princely salary of £150, with no hope of a rise.

Another member of the association, a scholar of Trinity, who obtained first-class in both parts of the Science Tripos in his three years at Cambridge, was recommended to a great armament firm, who offered him a post at exactly nothing a year for two years, with the prospect of being taken on at the end of that time at a salary.

If they had offered him 25s. or 30s. a week he would have risked it. A University student asked a possible employer if his B.Sc. was essential, and was told that it would not invalidate his application.

One still heard of graduates serving in Government munition works as science experts at £2 a week, which they were prepared to accept in their anxiety to do their bit for their country, while workmen in the same works might be earning £5 or £6 a week. There were, however, signs of a change, and the great demand and very limited supply of expert science men was giving rise to abnormal conditions.

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Northwestern Faculty Shocked by 'Co-Ed Number' of Student Magazine

Though Professors Were Indignant, Under-graduates Giggled -- "A Helluva Number" Kept from Publication.

"The Candle" is snuffed. It hurt the eyes of the Northwestern University faculty. The "co-ed number" of the peppery little college magazine made the ascetic educators gasp and take off their learned spectacles to wipe them for a better look, according to a story recently printed in the Chicago Tribune.

As a result, the next issue, "A Helluva Number," was cancelled. When President Thomas F. Holgate saw the "co-ed number" he got the editor on the telephone.

"Lewd, indecent, subversive of all good principles, contrary to the type of student which the faculty is trying to develop" are a few of the expressions.

Though the faculty was indignant, the student body bought up the issue delightedly and knots of co-eds giggled over it everywhere.

President Holgate was indignant at everything in and on the "co-ed number." If he had a notion that a nice, musty fog of ancient tradition, calculus, political economy, and reverent adoration for the classics had settled on the brain of the editorial staff, he was disillusioned when the "co-ed number" came flaming from the presses as lurid as a red hot rivet from the forge.

Beginning with the cover: A chic and sumptuous girl sits in a wine glass, inviting, alluring, tantalizing, through the chinks of dreamy, half-closed eyes.

Under the title "On Kissing" is found a learned discussion of the art: "There are two places for depositing a kiss; on the back of the hand and on the mouth. The vogue of the former is dying out. . . . The mouth then becomes the organ of

kissing. . . . A kiss is a species of stolen fruit that lacks savor when it becomes gratuitous or even is bartered for gold. A moonlight eye, a shady bower within the sound of waves, and a maiden loath, make kissing an art, and its enjoyment an assured fact. A kiss may send a man to Sheol when his purpose was to tread the pavements of gold. Osculation that does not smack of orange blossoms often leads to a black robed man with a parchment for evaluating promises in terms of money."

Here is the lightsome use "The Candle" contributor puts his Latin to

Conjugations.

Ocido—O kid O.
Ocidere—O kid, dearie.
Ocidissus sum—O kiss us some.

And some spoony poetry which shocked the professors, who probably have forgotten how it went in those days:

"He kisses her quite lovingly . . . As they sail on the brimming river, Her lips both shaped like Cupid's bow, With most ecstatic passion quiver.

"Her rose lips shake, but not with cold— 'Tis warmth of love that makes them shiver— For where there's love there's Cupid's bow."

And what's a bow without a quiver?"

The editor said the "Helluva number" is all in copy and ready to go to the presses, but he says the mood of the faculty is such that the staff has decided not to publish it.

THIS MIGHT HAVE BEEN AT MCGILL.

Two women with eyes alert entered the library last night. After seating themselves at a central table where they could obtain a full view of the large reading room, they cast their eyes about in search of some person who seemed to be missing. Occasionally one of them would ask, "Have you seen him?"

Possibly the girls came to the library to study. They carried several books but the books seemed to be second choice. They were resorted to only after a careful scrutiny of the room had failed to discover "him."

The books apparently lacked interest, excitement, or something. Soon the eyes of the most interested girl were roving again. She saw a girl wireless or her "come hither" expression brought him scurrying to her, with a question, "Are you ready to go?"

Who goes to the library for dates—the men or women? Perhaps both.—Daily Kansas.

LAUNDRY HAS BIG WORK.

Since it set up shop a year and a half ago, the laundry at Ohio State has steadily increased its output until now it is washing 12,000 pieces daily. Everything belonging to the University that is washable passes through the hands of the people employed in the department.

HONOR SYSTEM VIOLATED.

The Illinois Magazine recently attempted the sale of the periodical by an honor system, placing boxes unwatched about the campus for the price of the book to be tossed into. Unfortunately some sneak thief stole a few of the boxes, and it is feared the idea will have to be abandoned.

AFRICANS PLAY SOCCER.

Thirty-four students from South Africa who are studying at the University of Michigan have organized a soccer football squad. The English sport was played in Africa by nine of the men. A series of games will be played on the Pacific Coast with college teams if a sufficient guarantee can be obtained.

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY UNDERCAPITALIZED.

President Butler of Columbia University, in his annual fall report, has requested an increase of \$30,000,000 in the capitalization of that institution. The money is to be used in carrying on extensive research work in the university.

EXCITED STUDENTS CUT CLASSES.

During the excitement of election day at California students ran off a total number of cuts that exceeded the usual number in the average semester. Classes were either dismissed by the faculty, or were almost unattended for three days.

MR. BIGELOW WAS KAISER'S PLAYMATE

Even in His Childhood, The Emperor Was Fond of War Games, Says American.

In his boyhood, Poultny Bigelow, M.A., F.R.G.S., who is to address the McGill Canadian Club on "His Reminiscences" on Monday afternoon at 5 o'clock, had the honor of being selected from the foreign families in Berlin to become one of the playmates of the Prince who later became Kaiser William II. of Germany. In his book, "Prussian Reminiscences," Mr. Bigelow gives several interesting sidelights into the boyhood of the Emperor. "One of their chief amusements was to sail a toy frigate which had been presented to the husband of Queen Louise by the English King who preceded Queen Victoria. It was a perfect model of a full-rigged three-master British man-of-war, before the days of steam. On this toy frigate we cruised after imaginary buccaners, and under the guidance of an experienced petty officer of the navy, we trimmed the little yards, flattened in sheets of the head sails, and manipulated the baby pieces of artillery with all the enthusiasm of boys playing at real war. William delighted in this work, and it would not be much of an exaggeration to call this little British plaything the parent ship of his latter-day navy."

"No game interested Prince William much that did not suggest war. Myself being fresh from America, I was credited, if not with Indian blood, at least with intimate knowledge of Red-skin tactics; consequently we talked much of Fenimore Cooper, the Deer Slayer, and Chingachgook, at our first meeting, and at our second I gave Prince William an Indian bow with gaudy tassels at each end, and a bunch of arrows.

"The moment William II. had these precious implements in his possession he radiantly suggested a war game on the Iroquois plan, and our victims were not far to seek. We elected ourselves exclusive members of the Ancient and Honorable Order of Red Men, and declared all others to be pale faces; and as the outcasts were mainly of the much-dreaded and very correct Prussian aristocracy, we took youthful pleasure in chasing them through the bushes of the great park, seizing them by the hair, lashing them to trees, and then metaphorically shooting them full of arrows. Of course we gave out blood-curdling war-whoops, and did such war-dances as might have surprised even Sitting Bull."

MORE RESULTS OF FIRST TERM EXAMS.

Second Year Arts and Dentistry Students Are Successful at Recent Tests.

The results in the English Literature first term examinations, Second Year Arts, are as follows:

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SECOND YEAR DENTISTRY.

Further results for Histology, Second Year Dentistry, are as follows:

Honours.

1—N. Lande.
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3—R. W. Edmison, B.A.

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THAT SHINNY MATCH.

Although to all appearances everything is quiet and peaceful as regards shinny, nevertheless there is a large undercurrent at work. This is especially evident among the Electricals now that they have dispensed with the other great questions of the hour (exams).

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The committee resolved that as soon as finances permitted that one of the proposed wings for Brooks Hall should be built.

LAFAYETTE ADOPTS SIMPLIFIED SPELLING.

The faculty of Lafayette college recently passed several resolutions which announce the adoption of a new spelling, as based on the work of the simplified spelling board of America. The simpler and shorter, of alternative spellings will be used in all official publications.

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QUIPS

—By A. S. N.

UNCLE SALT BASIN—THE CHRISTMAS GRADUATE.

Those dingy exams, at last are done, flown is the students' fear, the Freshie beats it for his bun, the Junior for his beer; the Sophs, pull out their skates and boots, and hie them to the rink, or to the show, the poor chink, to spend their hard-earned stairs just as he did before, yet here is one doth murmur prayers, and floods of tears doth pour! The college rings with cries of joy, rejoicings long, and great, but pity now that hapless boy, the Christmas Graduate! He sits and gnaws his fountain-pen, and kicks himself again, and wonders every now and then if poison gives much pain. Oh, what a lot, my friends, is this, and what a dreadful fate! The saddest sight on earth I wis, the Christmas Graduate! He goes to see a certain queen, to find out if she cares; her father knocks him on the bean, and throws him down the stairs; and all the world is on the blink, a place of gloom and hate. Oh, pity, then, this wretched gink, the Christmas Graduate! In dashing off this rhyme, I fear, I quite forgot to state, the schedule's changed, and he's this year a New Year's graduate!!

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TO-DAY'S PERPETRATION.

Quest: How do those queens in the library prevent their wireless messages from being known to all?

Ans: Because they are co-ed messages!

(Ahoy! Ahoy!)

JOYFUL NEWS FROM THE EDITOR.

Tell me not this life is cheerful, Let the lie ne'er pass your lips. For my troubles now are fearful, —I am running short of Quips!

Tell me not the sun is shining, All this happy look's a hoax, And my heart is rent and pinning, —I am running short of jokes!

Maybe you are feeling joyous, But for me there is no hope, Ah, the troubles that annoy us! —I am running short of dope!

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Dear Iva—Last week, in my French paper, I translated "Il était plein d'esprit" as "He became intoxicated as a result of merry-making." Don't you think this is worthy of type?

DOTTIE DIMPLE, R.V.C. '17.

Dear Dottie—Well, some of that type is pretty heavy, and causes painful injuries, especially if it hits behind the ear; no, we should hardly go so far as to say that.

IVA PAYNE.

LEADING LIGHTS OF LITERATURE—(9)—John Skates.

John Skates was one of the pathetic figures in English literature. While yet a mere child, he became proficient upon the ice and spent much time in the cooler. His first literary effort, "Hand Emmy On," a burlesque, was fiercely attacked by several of the leading revue-writers of the day, and although Skates attempted a come-back by challenging the writers to combat, he was put out in one round by Knockard, of Hackwood's, and "Jim" F. Jeffrey, the

Edinburgh heavyweight, also gained a decision over him. This broke Skates' heart; he used to wander into ball-rooms and attempt to practice figure-skating on the polished floors. In consequence, he was frequently in prison. On one of these occasions, he composed the superb lyric, "Ode to a Night in Jail," and later in a rather more cheerful mood, an exquisite little bit of poetry, dedicated to a young lady friend of his, who suffered under the delusion that she was a water-colour artist; the title "Leave Off Paint, Agnes," is of course well-known to all. "La Belle Dame, Non Merit" was also a highly-enjoyed fragment in its way. "Hi, Beery Un!" the last effort of the young poet, was a stately epic, and gained great praise after his death. This unfortunately occurred at an early date. The attacks of his foes grew so violent that Skates had to leave the country, in his flight dashing off some bits of verse, which were hence termed "Fugitive Poems." While in Italy, he insisted on attempting to skate on a large mirror, alas at the very first turn, while trying to cut corners, he had the ill-luck to catch his left foot behind his right ear, and before anyone could intervene, had decapitated himself.

WHO

is the Third Year Law student of whom a young lady remarked the other day, "I am afraid that — is keeping very late hours?"

WHO

is the Second Year Law student who is very much concerned over diamond rings? And why?

WHO

were the two Arts B.Sc. Freshmen who remained silent in Chemistry? What was the cause and who was the girl?

WHO

is the Second Year Med. student who can afford to sport a jitney? Ed. Note:—This jest is of R.V.C. origin.

WHO

is the double course student in Arts-Science who says that "MOST girls make him sick?"

WHERE

did that Commerce '17 man meet the young lady on whom he bestows his smiles? Did she remember him?

WHO

is the Fifth Year Med. who enjoys driving in a red sleigh?

WHO

was the B.Sc. Arts Freshman, the appearance of whose head on Friday afternoon suggested that he had collided with a circular saw?

WHO

was the Commerce Soph. who nearly fainted when informed that his nose was frozen? Why all this emotion?

WHO

is the prominent Fifth Year Med. who is obliged to don an apron and to wash dishes every time he goes to visit the R. V. C. partial?

WHO

is the Second Year Med. who stated that every girl in Montreal would "fuse"? Did he speak from experience?

POET SCORNER.

Edited by Pyrotechnic Pete.

Behold, ye readers, the kind of thanks we receive in return for all the efforts we have expended on behalf of our fellow-students of the R. V. C. Scan the bitter words that appear below, with all their stinging satire, and then tell us by next week what you think of the author. Little did we imagine that there existed a human being who could exhibit such cruelty and ingratitude?

I freely state, of all the awful bosh I've read, the worst is that by Uncle Josh:

While Casual Clarence, with his constant query, Speccides in making all his readers weary.

Oh, what a fate! To feel I must again Be forced to read that junk by Iva Payne!

And old Salt Basin writes his "pomes in prose."

The meaning of that guff he only knows; Yet for sheer rot it would be hard to beat

The stuff that's signed by Pyrotechnic Pete.

The whole "Quips" column's enough to knock one stiff, But no one reads it here, so what's the diff?

BERENICE BULKHEAD, R. V. C. '17.

Now, we will not venture to discuss the rhyme-scheme of this effort; it is the sentiment that pains us. All our revered colleagues have decided to resign as a protest, and it seems that we must do the same, if such be the feeling aroused by our endeavours to promote happiness.

The following has just unexpectedly been shot into our hands, and from the tooth-marks that adorned the margin had apparently been produced only at the expense of much toil and pain. All we can add to the last line is a more or less fervent wish that Mech. '17 is taking the poet factory connected with it, in its departure. We might also state that the remark about "sleepless days" being past is true; we have ourselves frequently noticed signs of sleep among the students of this class in the daytime. Ave atque Vale!

THE PASSING OF MECH '17.

We are now awaiting at the door Which leads from these halls of learning, And of love. For four short years we lingered here, And now we leave it—without a tear. There are only six of us, 'tis true, But where can you find the equal of these few.

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For Mechanical '17 is going at last.

Putty-eyed Percival says— Say, here is something new I've learned, A funny tree the ash is, For when the blooming thing you've burned, You still have left the ashes.

WHAT'S ON.

TO-DAY.

10.00—R. V. C. Fancy Skating Club. 2.00-3.00 p.m.—McGill Juniors vs. Loyola at Arena. 2.45 p.m.—C. O. T. C. parade.

COMING.

Feb. 5th.—Poulney Bigelow at McGill Canadian Club. Feb. 5th.—McGill vs. Loyola at the Arena. Feb. 6th.—Special Convocation for Meds. Feb. 7th.—Med. Banquet at Ritz-Carlton. Feb. 12th.—McGill vs. Laval. Parade to the Arena. Feb. 13th.—Arts '19 Skating Party.

NAVY BEATS PRINCETON.

By winning five first places and capturing second in every event the Navy swimming team defeated Princeton by the score of 40 to 12 last Saturday. The only event captured by Princeton was the relay race. The fancy dive, Princeton's strongest department, was not included in the list of events, a 40-yard back stroke swim being substituted. Dashiell and Browning starred for the Navy, while Georgi was Princeton's high man.

R. V. C. UNDERGRADUATE SOCIETY MEETING HELD

Question of the Status of R. V. C. Editors on Daily Discussed.

A meeting of the R. V. C. Undergraduate Society was held in the Common Room yesterday at 1 p.m. A letter was read from Miss Hurlbutt, stating that the Minors Society had received permission to hold its meetings in any class room of the R. V. C. provided that the aim of the society remain purely cultural. The next business to come before the meeting was the voting of money to be given to the Patriotic Fund from the women students of McGill during the coming campaign. It was decided that each class make an effort to raise funds for this purpose, and that the money thus obtained should be increased by an adequate grant from the Undergraduate Society, the amount of which should be determined later.

A letter was then read from the president of McGill Daily, stating the resolution that had been passed by the Students' Council in regard to constitutional recognition on the Daily staff of the editor and assistant-editor of the R. V. C. department of McGill Daily, and also stating the difficulties which prevented such recognition. After much discussion it was moved and seconded that relations cease between the R. V. C. Undergraduate Society and McGill Daily until further arrangements should be made. It was moved and carried in amendment that relations should not cease until additional efforts had been made to overcome the existing difficulties. With this end in view a resolution was passed that the president of the R. V. C. Undergraduate Society communicate with the president of the Students' Council to ascertain upon what terms the co-operation of the R. V. C. Undergraduate Society with McGill Daily could be based.

The president of the Delta Sigma Society extended an invitation from the Literary and Debating Society and the Canadian Club of McGill University to all women students to attend a lecture to be given by Poulney Bigelow, M.A., F.R.G.S., at the Union on Monday, Feb. 5th, at 5 o'clock. Miss Elliott made an appeal for more socks for the McGill Battery. The meeting then adjourned.

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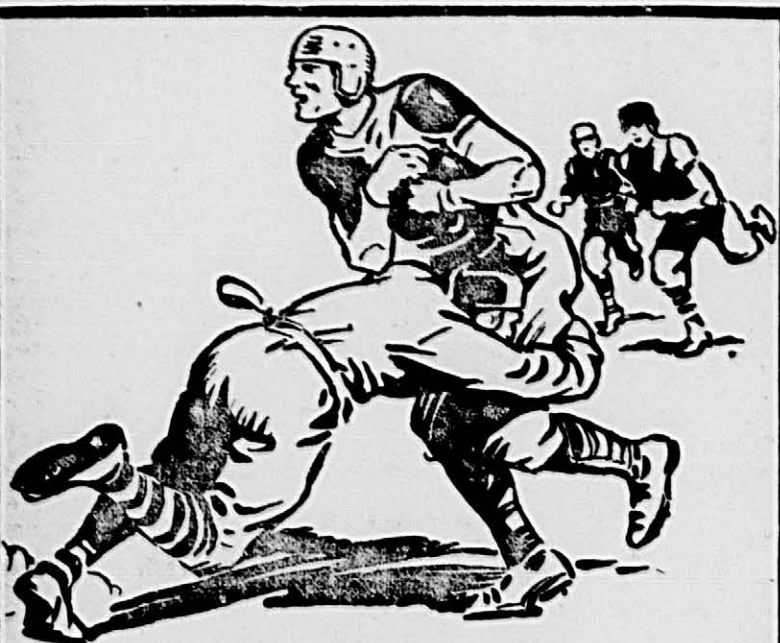
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